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SUBJ: ETHIOPIAN PRESS ON U.S. AID SUSPENSION

BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED:

1. EDIT IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE ETHIOPIAN HERALD OF FEB 1 CRITICIZES UNNAMED ENTITIES FOR RESORTING TO ECONOMIC BLACKMAIL TO ADVANCE THEIR OWN SELFISH INTERESTS. THIS IS NOT, IT STATES, IN THE BEST SPIRIT OF INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION. "AFRICANS, ASIANS, AND LATIN AMERICANS CAN NEVER COMPROMISE WITH COLONIALISM, RACISM, AND NEO-COLONIALISM." IT IS TANTAMOUNT TO DENIAL OF ONE'S HUMANITY FOR THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES TO SACRIFICE PRINCIPLES OF FREEDOM, EQUALITY AND JUSTICE TO GAIN CERTAIN ECONOMIC ADVANTAGES. "IT IS LIKE SATAN ASKING CHRIST TO KOWTOW TO HIM FOR THE SAKE OF WORLDLY WEALTH." AFRICA CANNOT CONDONE IMPERIALISM AND RACISM, THE EDITORIAL CONTINUES, ONLY JUDAS ISCARIOT WOULD SELL HIS KITH AND KIN FOR THE TEMPORARY ADVANTAGES OF PETTY INDUCEMENTS. ALTHOUGH AFRICAN COUNTRIES HAVE NO QUARREL WITH CAPITALIST AND COMMUNIST

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POWERS, THEY CAN NEVER COMPROMISE WITH THOSE WHO ARE OVERTLY

PROMOTING THE INTERSTS OF IMPERIALISM AND RACISM. AFRICA PREFERS INDEPENDENCE IN POVERTY TO SERVITUDE IN PLENTY. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE WEAK HAVE TO CONDONE THE EVIL THAT THE MIGHTY ARE PERPETRATING. THE EDITORIAL QUESTIONS WHETHER AFRICA MUST COLLABORATE WITH THOSE COMMITTING AGGRESSION IN ANGOLA IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN LEVEL OF TRADE WITH CERTAIN COUNTRIES, OR OUT OF FEAR OF ECONOMIC BLACKMAIL. INTERNATIONAL BLACKMAIL, EDITORIAL RESPONDS, REDUCES A NATION TO THE LEVEL OF A BEAST OF THE JUNGLE. AFRICA WILL NEVER BE INTIMIDATED BY THREATS AND WILL CONTINUE TO FIGHT AGAINST THE TWIN EVILS OF IMPERIALISM AND RACISM WITH "RIGHT" ON ITS SIDE.

2. AMHARIC PRESS HAS, SO FAR, NOT CARRIED THIS EDITORIAL.

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3. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH USG IS NEVER REFERRED TO BY NAME, EDITORIAL IS CLEARLY REACTION AGAINST INTERNATIONAL PRESS STORIES THAT USG INTENDS TO RETALIATE THROUGH MANIPULATION/ALLOCATION OF AID TO COUNTRIES WHO OPPOSE U.S. ON KEY ISSUES SUCH AS ANGOLA OR IN INTERNATIONAL FORA.

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